

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement; and Richard L. Skinner, Inspector General; and a public witness.

FISCAL YEAR BUDGET REQUESTS

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Minerals Resources held an oversight hearing on the President's Fiscal Year 2011 budget requests for the Minerals Management Service, the Bureau of Land Management, the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, the U.S. Geological Survey (excluding the water resources program) and the USDA Forest Service. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Interior: S. Elizabeth Birnbaum, Director, Minerals Management Service; Robert Abbey, Director, Bureau of Land Management; Marcia McNutt, Director, U.S. Geological Survey; and Joseph G. Pizarchik, Director, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement; and Hank Kashdan, Associate Chief, Forest Service, USDA.

FORECLOSURE PREVENTION

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Held a hearing entitled "Foreclosure Prevention: Is the Home Affordable Modification Program Preserving Homeownership?" Testimony was heard from Herbert M. Allison, Jr., Assistant Secretary, Financial Stability, Department of the Treasury; Neil M. Barofsky, Special Inspector General, Troubled Asset Relief Program; Gene L. Dodaro, Acting Comptroller General, GAO; and public witnesses.

2010 CENSUS

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Information Policy, Census, and National Archives held a hearing entitled "The 2010 Census: An Assessment of the Census Bureau's Preparedness." Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Commerce: Arnold Jackson, Associate Director, Bureau of the Census; and Judy Gordon, Associate Deputy Inspector General; and Robert Goldenkoff, Director, Strategic Issues, GAO.

SENATE AMENDMENTS TO RECONCILIATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a record vote of 8 to 4, a rule providing for the consideration of the Senate amendments to H.R. 4872, the "Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010." The rule makes in order a motion offered by the chair of the Committee on Education and Labor that the House concur in the Senate amendments to H.R. 4872, the "Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010." The previous question shall be considered as ordered without intervening motion or demand for

division of the question. The rule provides 10 minutes of debate on the motion equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and Labor. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the motion except those arising under clause 10 of rule XXI. Finally, the rule provides that the Senate amendments and the motion shall be considered as read. Testimony was heard from Chairman George Miller and Representatives Pallone, Andrews, Ryan (WI), Barton (TX), Camp (MI), Kline (MN), and Tiahrt.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment approved for full Committee action a Committee Print that includes the following: Department of Energy Office of Science Authorization Act of 2010; ARPA-E Reauthorization Act of 2010; and the Energy Innovation Hubs Authorization Act of 2010.

MISCELLANEOUS VETERANS MEASURES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on the following measures: H.R. 949, To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the collective bargaining rights and procedures for review of adverse actions of certain employees of the Department of Veterans Affairs; H.R. 1075, RECOVER Act (Restoring Essential Care for Our Veterans for Effective Recovery); H.R. 2698, Veterans and Survivors Behavioral Health Awareness Act; H.R. 2699, Armed Forces Behavioral Health Awareness Act; H.R. 2879, Rural Veterans Health Care Improvement Act of 2009; H.R. 3926, Armed Forces Breast Cancer Research Act; H.R. 4006, Rural American Indian Veterans Health Care Improvement Act of 2009; H.R. 84, Veterans Timely Access to Health Care Act, and 3 Discussion Drafts. Testimony was heard from Chairman Filner, Representatives Scalise, Giffords, Kirkpatrick of Arizona, Boswell and Brown-Waite of Florida; Gerald M. Cross, M.D., Deputy Chief, Patient Care Services and Chief Consultant for Primary Care, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; and representatives of veterans organizations.

IRS AND THE 2010 TAX RETURN FILING SEASON

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on Internal Revenue Service operations and the 2010 tax return filing season. Testimony was heard from Douglas Shulman, Commissioner, IRS, Department of the Treasury.